

PATENT APPLICATION

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Hiroki MAEDA et al.

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DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132 OF JUNICHI HANNA AND KYOKO KOGO

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

We, Junichi HANNA and Kyoko KOGO, hereby declare:

- We are two of the three named and true inventors in the above-captioned
 patent application and we are co-inventors, along with H. Maeda, of the subject matter
 disclosed and claimed in the above-captioned patent application.
- We are co-inventors, along with K. Kafuku, of U.S. Patent No. 6,224,787 B1 to Hanna, et al. (US 787).
- 3. To the extent that the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the above-captioned patent application is also disclosed in US 787, we (Junichi HANNA and Kyoko KOGO) are co-inventors of that subject matter and are the only inventors of that subject matter.
- The other co-inventor of US 787 (K. Kafuku) worked under the supervision and direction of at least one of us (Junichi HANNA and Kyoko KOGO) with respect to the

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subject matter disclosed in US 787 and although he is a co-inventor of US 787, he is not a co-inventor of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the above-captioned patent application that is also disclosed in US 787.

5. All statements made herein of our own knowledge are true, and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements are punishable by fine and/or imprisonment under. Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing therefrom.

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